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SANITARY LEGISLATION.

STATE LAWS AND REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO PUBLIC HEALTH.

RHODE ISLAND.

Rabies—Treatment of Persons Bitten by Animals Suspected of Having. (Laws of 1912, Chap. 800. Approved April 18, 1912.)

SECTION 1. The health officer or the president of the town council of any town or the mayor or the superintendent of health of any city may authorize the treatment by the Pasteur method, or by any other known method of treatment for the prevention or cure of rabies or hydrophobia, of any person who has been bitten within such town or city by any dog or other animal suspected of being affected with rabies or hydrophobia.

SEC. 2. The person furnishing such treatment shall within 60 days after completing the same present his claim for services to the town council of such town or the city council of such city, who shall draw an order on the town or city treasurer for the amount of the same or for such other amount as they in their discretion, after careful examination, shall deem just; and such order when presented to the town or city treasurer shall be paid in the same manner as any other order made by the town or city council upon the town or city treasurer, and the amount of such order shall be charged against any sums received by such town or city under the provisions of chapter 135 of the general laws.

Rabies—Examination of Heads of Dogs Suspected of Having. (Laws of 1912, Chap. 842. Approved May 3, 1912.)

SECTION 1. Chapter 135 of the general laws, entitled "Of dogs," is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section, viz:

"SEC. 30. Any member of the town council of any town or the chief of police of any city may authorize the examination of the head of any dog suspected of being affected with rabies or hydrophobia, killed within the limits of such town or city. The person making such examination shall within 24 hours after completing such examination report the results thereof to the person authorizing such examination and shall within 60 days thereafter present in writing his claim for services to the town council of such town or to the city council of such city, who shall draw an order on the town or city treasurer for the amount thereof or for such other amount as they in their discretion, after careful examination, shall deem just; and said order when presented to the town or city treasurer shall be paid in the same manner as any other order made by the town or city council upon the town or city treasurer, and the amount of such order shall be charged against the amount received by such town or city under the provisions of this chapter."

Open-air schools—Authorizing the establishment of. (Laws of 1912, ch. 816, approved Apr. 26, 1912.)

SECTION 1. The school committee of any city or town is hereby authorized and empowered to establish within its limits open-air schools for the instruction of such children of school age as in its judgment are not in such physical condition that they can